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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C.

Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above-referenced U.S. patent application, the following amendments and remarks are submitted:

## IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 21 and 24 without prejudice or disclaimer to the subject matter therein. Please add new claims 25-28 as follows.

A signal receiving apparatus comprising:

a tuner operable to receive a transmission signal containing a digital modulation signal and an analog modulation signal and to select the digital modulation signal using a local oscillation signal;

an interference detector operable to detect interference caused by the analog modulation signal from the digital modulation signal selected by said tuner;

a notch filter operable to remove a carrier of the analog modulation signal in a same frequency band as a frequency band of the digital modulation signal when the interference is detected by said interference detector and to pass the digital modulation signal without removing a carrier of the analog modulation signal in a same frequency band as a frequency band of the digital modulation signal when the interference is not detected by said interference detector.